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TO AMEMBASSY RANGOON

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI, BM

SUBJECT: GUB PURCHASE OF TEAR GAS

1. THE DEPARTMENT HAS LEARNED, RESULTING FROM AN INQUIRY BY THE BURMESE EMBASSY, THAT THE GUB PURCHASED FROM AN AMERICAN MANUFACTURER IN LATE DECEMBER ABOUT SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF TEAR GAS GRENADES AND OTHER RELATED EQUIPMENT. THE EMBASSY WAS INSTRUCTED ON JANUARY 8 BY THE GUB FOREIGN MINISTRY TO INQUIRE OF THE DEPARTMENT AS TO THE STATUS OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN EXPORT LICENSE TO SHIP THESE GOODS. THE APPLICATION WAS APPROVED ROUTINELY ACCORDING TO EXISTING GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE SALE OF SUCH COMMODITIES, AND THE COMPANY WAS INFORMED OF THE APPROVAL ON JANUARY 3. WE RELAYED THIS INFORMATION TO THE EMBASSY ON JANUARY 10.

2. THE ORDER CONSISTED OF ABOUT 300 GRENADES (SMOKE AND TEAR GAS) AND ANOTHER ONE THOUSAND PROJECTILES FOR HAND-  
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HELD TEAR GAS WEAPONS. KISSINGER

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